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The following information was obtained on the occupation of the Brasov (R 35/X 37) barracks:

1. Barracks at 56 Nicolae Balcescu Street (formerly Regina Maria Street or Schwarzgasse in the town center). U- shaped, three-story barracks building with a 40-meter long main front and two side wings of 60 and 40-meter length:

Main gate, on Nicolae Balcescu Street, guarded by sentry wearing a beret and armed with a rifle with fixed bayonet. A mountain infantry major left the kaserna. A horse-drawn vehicle was observed at a side gate. *

2. Barracks at 231 Maresal Vorosilov Boulevard (formerly Strada Lunga, previously occupied by the former 41st Army Regt). Two three-story barracks buildings, one unidentified building, two stables (one of which was possibly a vehicle shed), one building presumably for storage of weapons and equipment:

Main gate, on Maresal Vorosilov Boulevard, was guarded by a soldier wearing black epaulets with artillery insignia and armed with a submachine gun. Three horse-drawn vehicles left the barracks. The barracks were still referred to as artillery barracks. **

3. Barracks at 130 Mihai Viteazul Street (formerly mountain infantry barracks). Three three-story barracks buildings, a cantonment building, a building (probably housing storerooms and workshops) and an unidentified building:

Two main gates were guarded by soldiers wearing black epaulets and armed with submachine guns. Three canvas-covered searchlights, two large-caliber

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AA guns on revolving mounts, another AA gun and three small guns on two-wheel mounts (field guns or AT guns) were observed in the barracks areas. ***

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[redacted] Comment:

- * The last report on a Brasov mountain infantry battalion was received in September 1948. It is considered possible that a mountain infantry unit, presumably one battalion, may have still been stationed there in February 1950.
- ** A mountain artillery battalion was also reported to be stationed in Brasov in September 1948. It is therefore assumed that the mentioned barracks may have been occupied by a mountain artillery battalion.
- *** According to many reports, AAA units are stationed in Brasov. The location in Brasov of the 4th AAA Regt was last reported in December 1949. The regiment may be the AAA unit observed in the mentioned barracks.

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